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Hiker airlifted from Waimea Canyon

WAIMEA – Firefighters responded to a female hiker in distress Tuesday afternoon near Waipo'o Falls in Waimea Canyon.

Waimea firefighters were notified of the incident around 3:40 p.m., when a 32-year-old woman from Michigan reportedly fell and injured her leg while hiking along the trail.

Rescue 3 personnel aboard Air 1 responded to the call and located the woman about 100 yards from Waipo'o Falls. Firefighters splinted her leg, safely loaded her into the helicopter, and airlifted her to a nearby landing zone.

Awaiting AMR medics provided additional support, and transported the woman to the hospital for further treatment.

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